

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:) Examiner: Holleran, Anne L.
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William R. Arathoon *et al.*) Art Unit: 1643
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Application Serial No. 09/373,403) Confirmation No.: 2534
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Filed: August 12, 1999) Attorney's Docket No. GNE-0215 C1.US
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For: *METHOD FOR MAKING*) **Customer No. 77845**
MULTISPECIFIC ANTIBODIES HAVING
HETEROMULTIMERIC AND COMMON
COMPONENTS

VIA EFS
Date: March 2, 2009

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

MAIL STOP: RCE
Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Madam:

A Final Office Action was mailed on October 31, 2008. February 28, 2009 was a Saturday. This Preliminary Amendment is being timely filed by the next business day, Monday March 2, 2009 with a request for a one (1) month extension of time and accompanies a Request for Continued Examination under 37 C.F.R. §1.114 for the above identified application. Please consider the following amendments and arguments.

Amendments to the claims begin on page 2.

Remarks begin on page 8.